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1. ASSISTANT SECRETARY FSFA MILOS KOMATINA (RESPONSIBLE FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES) TOLD DCM MAY 31 THAT RESUMPTION RELATIONS WITH PORTUGAL IMMINENT. ANNOUNCEMENT ON TIMING TO BE MADE NEXT WEEK. MEANTIME, KOMATINA WILL BE VISITING ZAMBIA, TANZANIA AND CONGO, IN PART TO DISCUSS QUESTION NONALIGNED ATTITUDES TOWARD NEW PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT. OTHER FOREIGN SECRETARIAT OFFICIALS WILL BE RAISING QUESTION IN ALGIERS AND OTHER CAPITALS.

2. KOMATINA SAID THAT UNTIL PORTUGAL DIVESTS ITSELF OF ITS AFRICAN COLONIES EXISTING OAU RESOLUTIONS WILL RENDER IT DIFFICULT FOR MOST AFRICAN COUNTRIES TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH LISBON. IN YUGOSLAVIA'S CASE, HOWEVER, THERE ARE NO SUCH BARRIERS, AND RESTORATION WILL TAKE PLACE REGARDLESS PROGRESS IN LISBON'S DISCUSSIONS WITH "LIBERATION FORCES". KOMATINA SAID GOY CONSIDERS IT IMPORTANT THAT NEW GOVERNMENT BE ENCOURAGED IN ITS LIBERAL OUTLOOK BY WIDESPREAD WORLD RECOGNITION. HE SAID YUGOSLAVIA HAS LONG HAD GOOD INFORMAL LINKS WITH PORTUGUESE COMMUNISTS AND SOCIALISTS (AS WELL AS WITH SOARES PERSONALLY). NOW LOOKS FORWARD TO PLACING

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